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Two Million Dollars Committed to Human Services Campus Industrial Development Authority Okays Funding to Help Homeless

The Industrial Development Authority (IDA) of Maricopa County today authorized a two million dollar grant to the Downtown Human Services Campus.

The Human Services Campus is a cooperative effort among Maricopa County, service providers for the homeless and non-profit organizations to develop a coordinated delivery of services to the homeless.

Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox said, "This grant is different from the kind the IDA usually makes. It certainly goes to the IDA's mission statement of assisting residents achieve a better standard of living and way of life."

IDA Chairman Alan Maguire said, "This grant shows the importance the IDA places on this critical downtown project which will provide opportunities and housing for the homeless."

Maguire also credited past chairman John Kaite and other board members who have worked on this grant. The IDA traditionally makes loans for economic development and affordable housing.

A little more than seventeen million dollars has been pledged and committed to the first phase of the project. Fundraising efforts continue to raise the remainder of the money needed.

Other partners with Maricopa County in the Human Services Campus include, Central Arizona Shelter Services, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Joseph the Worker, Nova Safe Haven and the City of Phoenix.

The Human Services Campus will provide a coordinated delivery of housing, medical, educational and other services to homeless clients. The campus will be located just west of the downtown Phoenix area.